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TO ABANDON DRIVE ON HIGH PRICES

Department of Justice's Activities to End November 1

ORGANIZATION TO DISBAND

This Decision Will Have No Effect On Department's Fight Against Violators Of The Lever Food Control Act.

Washington.—The campaign conducted by the Department of Justice against the high cost of living will be ended and the entire fair price organization disbanded November 1.

Letters have gone out from the Department to all fair price commissions and all others engaged in the campaign, advising them of the department's decision to conclude this work, officials at the department stated. Department officials said that while the campaign had been successful, the immediate reason for closing up the work was a lack of funds. Abandonment of the campaign probably will mean the displacement of half a dozen special assistants to the attorney who have devoted their entire time in fighting high prices. What officials will retire has not been made known, however.

It was declared that the dissolution of the organization in the cost of living campaign would have no effect on the department's drive against violators of the Lever Food Control Act. The attorney general was represented as being fully convinced that the Lever act had made it possible to curb the hoarders and the profiteers, and determined to go forward with prosecutions of coal men and others against whom complaints have been made.

Instructions lately have gone out from the department to district attorneys to pay close attention to all trade organizations, with a view to ascertaining whether they have operated as a combination in restraint of trade. Officials said the trade organizations were so numerous that this phase of the work alone had required the services of more attorneys and agents than the department was able to supply because of its shortage of funds.

The government drive against the high cost of living has cost approximately $500,000, according to figures at the Department of Justice. Department officials pointed to collections of fines aggregating more than $275,000, assessed against convicted profiteers, as evidence of the success attained. Further fines might be collected, it was added, from the more than 1,600 persons and firms indicted through activities of the fair price groups.

Convictions obtained through the fair price commissions totalled 181, records of the department showed. There remain more than 200 other cases where arrests have been made, but the trials have not been held. Prison sentences imposed aggregate 10 years and 10 months in cases already decided. Officials said this represented more than 40 convictions, since most of the sentences were short.

HARDING'S SISTER RESIGNS.

Was Probation Officer In Woman's Bureau Of Capital Police.

Washington.—Mrs. Carolyn Votaw, sister of Senator Harding, the Republican Presidential nominee, announced her resignation as probation officer of the Woman's Bureau of the Washington Metropolitan Police. Mrs. Votaw, in her letter of resignation, gave no reason for leaving the service, but reports have been current for some time of friction between members of the Woman's Bureau.

FIVE MEN KILLED IN GIN.

One Seriously Injured When Boiler Blows Up.

Fayetteville, N. C.—Five men were killed and one seriously injured by the explosion of a boiler in the cotton gin of the D. Bacey Gin Company near Rowland, Robeson county. The cause of the explosion had not been determined, but the authorities are investigating a report that explosives had been placed in the boiler.

GLASS' SISTER GIVES $100.

858 Voters In Mississippi Town Give $1 Each.

Lynchburg, Va.—Mrs. C. Funsten Lucado, a sister of Senator Carter Glass, is the first Lynchburg woman to match Mrs. Woodrow Wilson's $100 gift to the national Democratic campaign fund. The gift is made through the woman's division of the national committee.

MULES TO AID ELECTIONS.

Team Corps Will Haul Women To Polls In Old Kentucky.

Louisville.—A mule team corps to bring mountain women to the polls on election day is being organized by Mrs. John W. Langley, chairman of the Republican Women's Campaign Committee of Kentucky.

TO ASK WOOL EMBARGO.

Growers Preparing For Active Legislative Campaign.

Salt Lake City, Utah.—Wool growers of the United States are preparing to make a determined effort to secure legislation placing an embargo on foreign wool during the coming short session of Congress in December, according to announcement by F. R. Marshall, of Salt Lake, secretary of the National Wool Growers' Association.

DRYS TO ASK FOR GREATER POWER

More Money, Extended Laws and Larger Forces

PROPOSITION FOR CONGRESS

Fight Expected Over Proposals—Liquor Issue Again To Be in Foretront in December.

Washington.—Realizing that prohibition as now established by law in this country does not prohibit and that the system of enforcement provided for in the Volstead act cannot be made effective in those communities out of sympathy with it, enforcement officials are preparing recommendations for the consideration of Congress providing not only for an increase in their appropriation and an increase in their field force but for an enlargement of their power.

This will be the answer of those favoring drastic prohibition to the demand from other directions for a relaxation of the Volstead act, for light wines and beer and for further immunity for the home brewer and home wine maker. These forces will descend upon Congress for a more rigid program than is now provided for and once more the House and Senate will find themselves between two fires.

It was learned that the Prohibition Enforcement Bureau of the Treasury, supported by the professional dry interests will go to Congress with these propositions:

1. An increase of approximately 100 per cent. in the field force of the Prohibition Bureau.
2. An increase of somewhat more than 100 per cent. in the appropriations for enforcement.
3. A plan to purchase outright the stocks of intoxicating liquors in bond and to dispense them under a rigid system.
4. Or, as an alternative, further legislation which will restrict the outflow of bonded liquors so that the prohibition officers can follow each gallon from the bonded warehouse to the consumer.
5. Legislation which will limit the number of manufacturing and other interests which may purchase liquors by wholesale.
6. An amendment to the existing law which will take the enforcement machinery entirely out of local politics by making all appointments out of Washington.
7. More rigid laws for the apprehension of illicit manufacturers of liquor.
8. Passport restrictions which will make more difficult, if not impossible, bootlegging across the border, particularly the Mexican border.

Militant opposition to some of the plans of the enforcement officials is anticipated, particularly to the proposition for the purchase, even at the Government's own price, of bonded wet goods. There is approximately 50,000,000 gallons of whisky in bond which, with other intoxicating liquors, might bring the cost to $250,000,000.

In one-quarter, it was intimated, a bond issue was being considered, the liquor owners being required to accept long-term bonds instead of cash for their product.

The prohibition enforcement officials are clamping the lid down as tightly as the law authorizes on the issuance of permits, but it is said the law makes it impossible for the Government to exercise that supervision which is necessary to rigid prohibition.

MRS. WILSON IS 48 TODAY.

No Formal Celebration Of Occasion Planned.

Washington.—Mrs. Woodrow, Wilson, wife of the President who was 48 years old Friday, and spent her birthday quietly at the White House where no formal celebration was held, observance of the anniversary being confined to the receiving of felicitations from relatives and close friends.

SOUP WITH PEDIGREE.

$100 Pigeons Served In 15-Cent Dish At Cheap Restaurant.

New York.—Fifteen-cent soup, made of $100 pedigreed pigeons, has been served recently in East Side eating places. Police discovered this epicurean irregularity after arresting a 16-year-old boy on complaint of a pigeon fancier that his coops of prize-winning birds had been persistently robbed. He valued the pigeons at $1,500.

BOY MISSING; MINER HELD.

Wyatt (W. Va.) Man Accused of Part in Kidnapped.

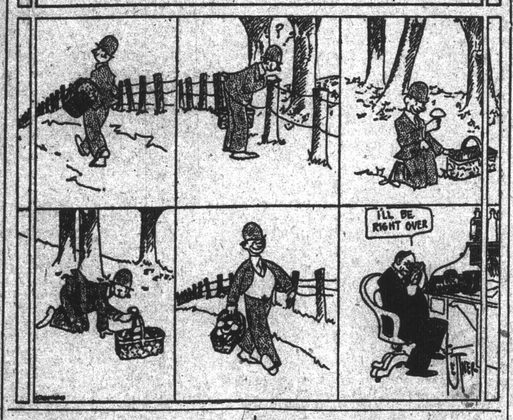
Clarksburg, W. Va.—Cornie Brown, a Wyatt coal miner, is in jail here upon complaint of J. G. Lane, another coal miner, of the same place, that he was implicated in the kidnapping of Lane's 12-year-old son, Anderson. The boy was taken from the Lane home the night of October 1 and a search of Harrison and contiguous counties has failed to disclose any clue as to his whereabouts.

MISSING AVIATORS FROZEN.

Bodies Of Finn And Italian Found In Alps Solves Mystery.

Geneva, Switzerland.—The mystery surrounding the fate of a Finnish Army officer and an Italian pilot flying in a Savoia biplane from Milan to Finland, who have been missing since September 7, was solved when the bodies of the two men were found frozen near the summit of Toedi Mountain at an altitude of nearly 12,000 feet.

The End of a Perfect Day



POLISH-SOVIET TREATY SIGNED

Pact Agreed Upon After 20 Days' Deliberation

A PEACE WITHOUT VICTORY

Russians Now Concentrating Along Southern Front To Attack Ukrainians As Soon As Armistice With Poland Is Signed.

Riga.—Preliminary peace treaty and armistice was signed by the Polish and Russian Soviet peace delegates here.

The announcement that peace was to be signed brought great crowds to the square surrounding the Black Head House. M. Joffe and the Bolsheviki delegation entered the hall first and were followed by M. Dombski and the Polish delegation. About 200 persons including the entire diplomatic body, and prominent Lettish officials crowded the small room, many of them standing.

Considerable delay ensued, which was due to the physical work necessary for the completion of the treaties for signature. Tired by more than five nights of almost constant work, M. Joffe looked extremely pale, but his voice showed no nervousness when he announced without arising that the treaty had been completed, and began reading the Russian text.

The head of the Soviet delegation described the Riga peace as "a peace without victory and without vanquished," in a brief address before the signature of the treaty. That describes the Riga agreement acurately as it appeared to disinterested onlookers. It was a peace of give and take, which those who have followed the course of events fear will not be very popular either with the Bolsheviki or the Poles.

But it is undoubtedly a triumph for the two chairmen who made it, and the spirit of conciliation with which they handled the explosive questions that disrupted the Minsk conference is likely to win for them the gratitude of the war-exhausted world.

The Riga armistice will put the Bolsheviki at peace with all their Baltic neighbors within 144 hours.

M. Joffe called attention to the many difficulties encountered in arranging the armistice and also to the harmonious manner in which the delegations carried out the negotiations. He also expressed the belief that the foundation has been laid for a permanent peace, as both nations are absolutely tired of war and unwilling to assume responsibility for continuing the strife.

WANTS WOMEN TO READ PAPERS.

Judge Would Make Indifference Cause Of Divorce.

Atlantic City, N. J.—"If I were making the laws of this country, I would make it a cause of divorce if the wife didn't read the newspapers."

Thus spoke Judge Horace Stern, of Philadelphia, in an address on "suffrage and the women" before the Council of Jewish Women, who are holding their first gathering of the year here.

"It's such a wonderful thing," continued Judge Stern, "to have the news served up to you every morning at the breakfast table, news gathered from all over the world, and it would seem to me criminal indifference to neglect knowing the serious things going on in the world."

PLOT TO BLOW UP PRISON.

General Jail Delivery At Portsmouth, Ont., Thwarted.

Kingston, Ont.—A plot to effect the wholesale escape of prisoners in Portsmouth Penitentiary and then blow up the prison with nitroglycerin was thwarted here. Prison officials, acting on a warning that an attempt would be made to free the convicts, tore down portions of the penitentiary wall and uncovered a store of rifles and ammunition, with enough of the explosive to have destroyed the structure.

BOY, 11, TRIES TO WRECK TRAIN.

Forced To Put Obstruction On Track By Negro, He Claims.

Pittsburgh.—Daniel Melchore, aged 11, is under arrest charged with attempting to wreck the Buffalo Flyer on the Boston and Albany Railroad division.

Officer James Haley noticed a bare-footed boy sitting on the embankment. Climbing down the embankment, he found a brake shoe fastened to the northbound track with a heavy coupling pin.

WARN GEORGIA GINS TO QUIT

Night Riders Threaten Plants With Torch

COTTON FIELDS POSTED

Alabama Reports Spread Of Menace—American Cotton Association Calls Mass-meetings To Deal With Evil.

Atlanta, Ga.—Cotton gins in Douglas and surrounding counties are being posted with warnings to close on account of the price of cotton, Sheriff A. S. Baggett, of Douglas county, reported to Governor Dorsey.

He added that he had offered a reward of $300 for arrest of the guilty persons.

The Sheriff wrote that a "lawless crowd" was trying to get control of the situation and suggested that an offer of a reward by the Governor would have a beneficial effect. Governor Dorsey replied that threats against property in Georgia constitute a misdemeanor for which the Governor is not authorized to offer a reward, but that in case of destruction of any property, which is a felony, he would "be glad to offer the highest reward possible under the law."

Owners of threatened gins are guarding them at a cost of $10 to $15 a day, the Sheriff said.

No gins have yet been reported burned or otherwise damaged in Georgia, but many have been posted with threats of damage unless they cease operation.

Reports from Alabama tell of the spread of night riding in that State and the local divisions of the American Cotton Association have called mass-meetings to deal with the menace. The cotton association, it is said, proposes to openly state to all cotton growers that the ginners will operate their plants if given satisfactory guarantees that the properties will not be endangered, otherwise they will be closed down.

Gins in Moulton, Ala., were idle Monday following warnings posted last night ordering that the gins remain closed until cotton goes to 40 cents a pound and cottonseed to $40 a ton. Every gin in Calhoun county, of which Anniston is the county seat, also was posted last night.

LAWLESS RAIDS ALARM SOUTH.

Atlanta.—The "night riding" campaign to force the closing of cotton ginneries until the price of the staple advances to 40 cents a pound has assumed alarming proportions in the Atlanta district, which includes the States of Georgia, Alabama, South Carolina and Florida. The "night riders" have posted notices on scores of ginneries warning the owners that no cotton must be ginned until the price reaches 40 cents. No written threat is made, but a box of matches is left with each notice and the gin owner understands that violation of the warning means fire.

WORLD'S TITLE TO CLEVELAND.

Defeats Brooklyn In Game Carrying The Premier Honors.

Cleveland.—Baseball champions of the world. The Cleveland American League Club won that supreme title here Tuesday when the Indians defeated the Brooklyn Nationals in the seventh and deciding game of the 1920 series by a score of 3 to 0. Cleveland celebrated in a manner adequately in keeping with the honor, and it is doubtful if a governmental proclamation announcing the selection of this city as the future capital of the United States would create a ripple of interest among the frenzied fans.

TOKIO PREDICTS SOLUTION.

Tokio.—Masano Hanahara, vice-foreign minister, called a meeting of the diplomatic committee of the Conservative party and informed its members that he was confident of a successful solution of the questions pending between Japan and the United States.

BUZZARD DARKENS CITIES.

Short-Circuited High-Tension Wires Supplying York And Harrisburg.

Harrisburg, Pa.—When a turkey buzzard got on the high tension wires of the York Haven power plant, the system was short-circuited and York and Harrisburg were in darkness. Shortly after the cause of the trouble had been found and the light companies of the two cities were getting current again a fire at the York Haven plant occurred.

3,250 NATIVES KILLED IN HAITI

Barnett Was Shocked at Report of Conditions

NECESSITY OF REFORMS

General Says In Report To Secretary Daniels, However, That Most Of The Victims Were Dangerous Bandits.

Washington.—Maj.-Gen. George Barnett, former commandant of the United States Marine Corps, charged that approximately 3,250 armed Haitien bandits were killed by United States marines or native gendarmerie in the five and a half years of American occupation, in a report to Secretary of the Navy Daniels, just made public.

Total Marine Corps casualties during the same period were shown to be one officer and 12 enlisted men killed and two officers and 26 enlisted men wounded.

General Barnett says it is impossible to even estimate the number of Haitiens wounded in the engagements with the marines and gendarmerie, local troops organized and officered by the Marine Corps.

Of the total Haitiens killed, 1,762 met death in the bandit attack on Port au Prince and during the operations immediately following that attack, according to the report.

The high light of the report is a letter of Barnett's marked "personal and confidential," addressed to Col. John R. Russell, commander of the marines in Haiti. Writing under date of October 2, 1919, the General said to his subordinate:

"Since you left here several things have come to my notice with reference to the affairs of Haiti, especially in relation to the duties of the gendarmerie in the interior. The court-martial of one private for the killing of a native prisoner brought out a statement by his counsel which showed me that practically indiscriminate killing of natives has gone on for some time. I hope you will go into the matter personally with Colonel Wise and not only attempt to correct, but absolutely correct it.

"I was shocked beyond all expression to hear of such things and to know that it was at all possible that duty could be so badly performed by marines of any class. I know that you will take this up most seriously and I cannot too strongly urge upon you the necessity of going into it personally and thoroughly."

The General supplemented this admonition by ordering the abolition of the "Corvee" system of working native prisoners, adding: "Let it be widely known throughout Haiti that this system will not be tolerated hereafter."

General Barnett informed Secretary Daniels of the necessity of an investigation in a letter dated last January 12, the report showed. The Secretary approved the investigation in the following indorsement on that letter:

"The action taken is approved and the Department desires that this investigation be expedited and proper steps taken in accordance with the views expressed by the Major-General commanding."

CUBA APPEALS FOR AID.

Asks To Be Helped Out Of Her Financial Straits.

Washington.—Cuba has appealed to the American government for aid in its present financial difficulties. The appeal has been taken under consideration by officials to see if some plan of assistance can be worked out.

The message from the Cuban government was referred by the State Department to the Commerce and Treasury Department, and it was understood that officials of these government agencies were conferring with a view to determining what action, if any, to assist Cuba could be taken. President Menocal, of Cuba, has suggested to the department that American sugar refiners co-operate to fix a price for the coming sugar crop in Cuba.

CORK WARDEN KIDNAPPED.

Was Accused Of Tormenting Hunger Strikers.

Cork, Ireland.—The first known case of an attack on an Irish prison official occurred when Thomas Griffin, a warden of Cork jail, was kidnapped while homeward bound. No trace of him has been found. Jail authorities doubted that they would ever see him again.

It was stated that Griffin was on the "black list," being accused of tormenting the hunger strikers in jail by offering them food and of mistreating other prisoners.

CHILD DROWNS IN SPRING.

Hagerstown, Md.—Falling into three feet of water at a spring, Catherine, 6-year-old daughter of Roy Baer, near Clearspring, was drowned. The child was subject to convulsions, and it is thought that as she was dipping water she was seized with a fit.

SERBIAN RULER IS TARGET.

Brussels.—An attempt was made to assassinate Prince Regent Alexander of Serbia during his recent tour in Bosnia, according to the Montenegrin Press Bureau. The bureau adds:

A bomb was thrown under the train in which the Prince Regent of Serbia was returning from Sarajevo. Two coaches were wrecked, but the Prince was unhurt. An inquiry into the incident gave no results. The Mayor and Municipal Council of Sarajevo have resigned.

SHORT CUTS IN STATE NEWS

The Latest News From All Over the State

HAPPENINGS OF THE WEEK

Fredericksburg.—Charles H. Hurkamp, Jr., of this city, has been appointed the art editor of The Oracle, the magazine of Woodberry Forest School, near Orange. Many of his drawings have been accepted.

Fredericksburg.—William H. Vaden, of Louisa, was knocked down by a bicycle on the street. He fell and struck his head against the cement curbing. He was taken home and Drs. Porter, Crumm and Daniel attended him, but he survived the fall only two hours. He was 77 years old and is survived by his wife.

Charlottesville.—Miss Virginia Mason, aged eighty-seven, author of "The Public Life and Diplomatic Correspondence of James M. Mason," her father, Confederate commissioner to Great Britain and Senator from Virginia, 1847 to 1860, died at the University of Virginia.

Lynchburg.—Colonel Aubrey E. Strode, who served in the judge advocate's department in the army during the war, five months of which was at General Pershing's headquarters in France, has declined a commission as major in that department. Mr. Strode declined the commission in order to retain his law practice.

Roanoke.—Notice of 20 per cent. reduction in the shop forces on the Norfolk and Western Railway system, beginning with laborers and helpers, effective this week, has been posted in the company's shops.

N. D. Maher, president of the road, announced that the reduction in the working forces would be gradual and that "proper notice will be given in every case." The reductions are prompted by heavy operating expenses, an official said. He pointed out that the road spent approximately $1.16 for every dollar earned, and that the September report would be "very discouraging" despite the increased passenger and freight rates.

Fredericksburg.—This section showed up well at the State Fair. The Spottsylvania Boys' Corn Club won second on white corn. The yellow corn grown by the Spottsylvania boys won all of the prizes in that class from first to seventh, inclusive. The Spottsylvania county exhibit of farm products won sixth prize. In addition, Captain R. C. Vance's Jersey cattle won a number of prizes and ladies of this section won premiums in the domestic products department. For ten ears yellow corn first prize was awarded R. A. James, Fredericksburg; second, Roy O. James. R. A. James won the sweepstakes on his yellow corn.

Suffolk.—After hours of listening to evidence bearing on the murder of Charles Wolfrey, the wealthy farmer of Nansemond county, who was shot and killed while on his way home from Suffolk to his residence on the White Marsh Road, three miles away, on the night of Saturday, August 7, the Nansemond County Grand Jury brought in a true bill against Charles Collins and Theodore Collins, who had been arrested and given a preliminary hearing. It was understood that considerable additional evidence of a corroborative nature was brought to the attention of the Grand Jury, and also that, at their adjourned meeting on October 25, other persons may be implicated. After the session of the Grand Jury on October 25, the case will be set for trial in the Nansemond Circuit Court.

Danville.—The Bank of Halifax, situated at Houston, the county seat, was robbed, apparently by professional yeggmen, who blew open the vault and bank safe, escaping with little short of $40,000 in currency, private and government bonds. The robbery was discovered by the janitor when he entered the building, chaotic conditions prevailing with the heavy door of the vault blown off its hinges also that of a smaller safe. B. W. Leigh, president of the bank, declined to be quoted on the loss, but it was learned from authoritative quarters that slightly more than $30,000 was taken in bonds, most of them Liberty bonds, between $3,000 and $4,000 in cash, and a quantity of War Saving Stamps which justified the round estimate of a total of $40,000. The silver was intact for the door to the money chest where it was placed seems to have withstood the blow.

Petersburg.—Judge J. F. West, of the Circuit Court of Prince George County, in session at Hopewell, refused bail to Jake Robinette, of this city, alleged murderer of John Pavlos, a Greek, two weeks ago. The crime with which Robinette is charged was committed at Temple's Wharf, on the James River, in Prince George county. H. L. Rosser, who was arrested by the Petersburg police, on a warrant charging him with being an accessory to the crime, was bailed in the sum of $5,000. Robinette was returned to this city pending trial of his case.

Charlottesville.—W. Clifton Taylor, 32, of Culpeper county, died at the University Hospital, from injuries sustained Saturday night. He left Culpeper on a motorcycle for his home in the county and in attempting to evade an auto with no lights, was struck by a car coming in the same direction. He sustained a fracture at the base of the skull.

Experimenters in Mexico have produced flour, starch, vinegar, textile fibers, alcohol, paper and cardboard from bananas.

STATE CAPITAL

Highway Work Outlined By Coleman.

Richmond.—Figures showing the number of miles of improved highway, the number of miles under construction, the mileage completed and other work done by the State Highway Commission in the Norfolk and Petersburg sections of Virginia were made public by George P. Coleman, head of the department.

Completed in the vicinity of Norfolk is three miles of concrete road running east from the seaside city, and under contract is eleven miles of similar construction reaching to Virginia Beach. Part of the money for the work has been advanced by citizens of that section who are interested in the highway. Norfolk county also has contributed to the construction of a road from Portsmouth, west, four and a half miles. This construction also is of concrete.

Under construction in this section is five and a half miles of concrete road east of Suffolk. Mr. Coleman said that he intends to let contract in the near future for work between Wilroys and Norfolk, connecting up the road from Suffolk to Virginia Beach.

Completed is a section of four and a half miles of concrete road from Courtland to near Franklin. The remaining four and a half miles of roadway between these towns will be under construction soon, the contract having been let.

There also is under contract a gravel road from Prince George Courthouse to Cabin Point, approximately fifteen miles in length. A part of this is financed by Prince George county.

Next spring construction of a section of sand clay road from Cabin Point to the Isle of Wight county line will begin, which will give a fairly good road from Smithfield to Petersburg. Funds for this work are to be advanced by Surrey county. Another section under construction, the Highway Commission declares, is between South Boston and Houston. During the coming season construction of a road section near Clover, Halifax county and between Houston and Chase City will be undertaken. The commission now is preparing to ask for bids on this section. Completion of this road will give a fairly good soil road between these points.

Under contract now is a section of roadway between Farmville and Dillwyn, and on this same road the commission expects to let contract during the spring for work between Bremo and Palmyra.

Farm Implement Waste.

"Henrico county farmers lose more money annually on farm implement waste than they are called upon to pay in taxes for schools or roads," W. L. Kirby, of the Agricultural Department of the Chamber of Commerce, said.

"Their next greatest loss, perhaps, if there were any possibility of arriving at a correct statement, I would say even a greater loss, follows upon the failure of growers to classify and grade their products, but that last is a matter of training and education. The first is open to all.

"In my daily trips through the country districts I see on nearly every farm, implements exposed to wind and weather depreciating in value and usefulness because of rust and rot, compelling frequent replacements, when replacements under proper regard for the initial investment would be absolutely unnecessary."

Schools Teach Thrift.

Summary of the work done and in outline of the thrift education campaign in the summer schools of Virginia just completed have been sent to Harris Hart State superintendent of education and to all presidents, summer school directors and thrift instructors in schools of the Fifth Federal Reserve District. Miss Mary G. Shotwell director of the educational division of the American organization of this district, prepared the survey.

Seventy-five thrift lessons were given in county schools, in addition to work done in the summer schools. To the 7,979 teachers in the State schools who received thrift instruction should be added 3,050 in the county schools and teachers' institutes, making a grand total of more than 11,000.

Fredericksburg.—Governor Westmoreland Davis has designated Judge R. H. L. Chichester to preside over the Circuit Court for Elizabeth City county on October 29, to hear the proceedings to annex certain territory of Elizabeth City county to the city of Newport News.

Apply For Victory Medals Slowly.

Victory medals are being applied for so slowly by ex-service men that Major-General P. C. Harris, adjutant-general of the army, has notified the officers in charge of the distribution to make the utmost effort to reach all who deserve it. It is estimated that 3,757,624 men who served in the army are entitled to the medal, but to date only 379,214, or about 10 per cent. of the number, have applied.

Lynchburg.—The front veranda of the residence of J. T. Jennings, collapsed during the funeral services of Mrs. Jennings. Forty men fell with the porch a distance of about five feet, but no one was injured. The accident did not interrupt the funeral, but the casket had to be taken from the residence by the rear door.

Now in the electric cook stove line is one that folds for carrying into a space six inches square by two and a half inches high.

APE-MAN'S REIGN OF TERROR ENDS

Maniac Captured After He Had Terrorized Whole Country for More Than Two Weeks.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—The "ape-man" who has terrorized the countryside between Greensburg and Homestead for two weeks was captured in a heavily wooded thicket in Baldwin township and lodged in the Hays police station. His body, nearly nude, a fearsome, grimy sight, and the matted hair on his face and head six inches long, the ape-man so closely resembled his simian ancestors that the officers who came on him unawares were in doubt for several minutes whether he was man or beast.

When captured the ape-man was sleeping beside a fire. On being awakened he sprang at Constable

Resembled Simian Ancestors.

Risenbarth and attempted to sink his fangs in the officer's throat. He was subdued after a struggle lasting several minutes.

Apparently unable or unwilling to speak, the ape-man, who in actions and looks is the primordial male, sits mooning in his cell in the Hays police station, occasionally uttering deep guttural sounds resembling the croaking of a huge frog.

The first appearance which the giant monkey made was in Homestead and Mifflin townships, where he suddenly invaded the blackberry patches in the neighborhood which daily attract large numbers of women and children. The ape's taste for fruit suddenly caused a hurried exodus from the patches, which are now quite deserted.

Indignant citizens formed themselves into bands and decided to hunt down Mr. Monk without delay. They got down their shotguns and rifles and started a monkey hunt through the surrounding marshes and thickets.

One farmer complained that some unknown individual had milked eight of his best cows and declared that he found tracks of a peculiar shape in the fields where his cows had been grazing.

It was subsequently found that two sheep, apparently strangled to death, and two hounds used to trail the ape, had been killed, and the Mifflin township authorities realized that they were dealing with a dangerous beast.

The posses had received word that the carcass of a sheep had been found at the entry to an abandoned mine pit, and the theory was advanced that the gorilla was using the mine for his headquarters. A guard of West Homestead individuals armed with shotguns took up a position at all the entrances to the pit, and announced that it was going to drive the simian malefactor out by use of sulphur candles.

The decision to adopt this plan was reached after a squad led by Constable Walter Griggs had returned from an excursion into the main entry of the pit and reported that a careful examination of the ground, moistened by recent rains, disclosed many footprints, which Constable Griggs declares were those of an ape of no small dimensions.

Baby, Attacked by Rat in Mother's Arms, Dies

Bitten on the right hand by a large rat as she lay sleeping in her mother's arms Stesna Wolzen, seven weeks' old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pedro Wolzen, died at Syracuse, N. Y., of blood poisoning.

Mrs. Wolzen was awakened by the screaming of the infant and found the rat crouched on her own chest. She screamed to her husband and he attempted to kill the rat, but it escaped.

The baby's hand was bleeding, and although it was given prompt medical attention it became infected and death resulted.

Fish Had His Lost Emblem.

Huntington, W. Va.—A Masonic emblem worn as a watch charm lost here by Herbert C. Reed of Milford, Ohio, nine years ago has been returned to him by a Cannelton, Ind., fisherman, who found the pin in a three-pound catfish he took from the Ohio river. Reed was leaning over the side of the steamer Greenland at the local wharf, when the charm dropped into the water. The fisherman at Cannelton read the name and address of the owner on the charm and sent it to Reed.